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Financial Audit

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs

Department of Environmental Quality
Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

We performed a financial audit of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. This report contains the audited financial statements and accompanying notes for fiscal year 2005-06. We issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements. This opinion means the reader may rely on the financial information presented.

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The Legislative Audit Committee
of the Montana State Legislature:

This is our report on the fiscal year 2005-06 financial audit of the Montana Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund (WPCSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Programs. The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation requested the audit of these programs because annual audits are required by the federal Environmental Protection Agency. These programs are administered jointly by the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Department of Environmental Quality.

The objectives of a financial audit include determining if the programs' financial statements present fairly their financial position at June 30, 2006, and the results of the programs' operations for the fiscal year then ended. We tested compliance with state and federal laws that have a direct and material impact on the financial statements.

The WPCSRF program provides loans at a reduced interest rate to finance construction of publicly owned water pollution control facilities, nonpoint source pollution control projects, and estuary management plans. Water pollution control loans are comprised of federal grants and state match funds and may be financed up to 30 years. As of June 30, 2006, the WPCSRF had $139,083,137 of outstanding loans, including advances to other funds.

The DWSRF program provides low interest loans to communities for the construction of drinking water treatment facilities. Drinking water loans are comprised of federal grants and state match funds and may be financed up to 30 years. At June 30, 2006, the DWSRF had $69,572,784 of outstanding loans.

On page A-1, you will find the Independent Auditor's Report followed by the financial statements and accompanying notes. We issued an unqualified opinion which means the reader can rely on the presented information. The programs' financial statements begin on page A-3. Our opinion on the programs' supplementary financial information is on page B-1. The supplementary information begins on page B-3. Beginning on page C-1 is our report on compliance and internal control, which is required by Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Officials from both departments have reviewed this report and agree with its contents. The Department of Environmental Quality's response is at page D-1. We thank the directors of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and their staff for their cooperation and assistance during the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Legislative Audit Committee
of the Montana State Legislature:

We have audited the accompanying Combined Balance Sheet of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs as of June 30, 2006, and the related Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for the fiscal year then ended. The information contained in these financial statements is the responsibility of the management of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

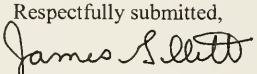
We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in the notes to the financial statements, the financial statements of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs are intended to present the financial position and results of operations of only that portion of the financial reporting entity of the state of Montana that is attributable to the transactions of the programs.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs as of June 30, 2006, and results of operations for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards,* we have also issued our report dated January 12, 2007, on our consideration of the programs' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Respectfully submitted,



James Gillett, CPA
Deputy Legislative Auditor

January 12, 2007

MONTANA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND DRINKING WATER
STATE REVOLVING FUND PROGRAMS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2006

	WATER POLLUTION CONTROL			DRINKING WATER			
	STATE SPECIAL REVENUE	FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	STATE SPECIAL REVENUE	FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
ASSETS							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$11,145,720	$17,192	$2,865,964	$3,363,132	$83,209	$1,955,512	$19,430,729
Interest Receivable	412,561		1,669,382	99,942		370,978	2,552,863
Due from Federal Government		8,717			65,337		74,054
Prepaid Expenses	466			895			1,361
Investments	979,658		178,845	2,946,269		324,827	4,429,599
Loans Receivable	126,382,557			69,572,784			195,955,341
Advances to Other Funds	12,700,580						12,700,580
Total Assets	$151,621,542	$25,909	$4,714,191	$75,983,022	$148,546	$2,651,317	$235,144,527
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts Payable	$12	$210			$42,858		$43,080
Payroll Payable	3,480	12,178		$13,645	33,034		62,337
Interest Payable	351,323			113,351			464,674
Loans Payable					25,000		25,000
Deferred Revenue		13,522			47,654		61,176
Total Liabilities	$354,815	$25,910		$126,996	$148,546		$656,267
Fund Balances							
Reserved for Loans Receivable	$139,083,137			$69,572,784			$208,655,921
Reserved for Debt Service			$4,714,191			$2,651,318	7,365,509
Unreserved, Undesignated	12,183,590			6,283,242		1	18,466,833
Total Fund Balances	$151,266,727		$4,714,191	$75,856,026	$ -	$2,651,319	$234,488,263
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	$151,621,542	$25,910	$4,714,191	$75,983,022	$148,546	$2,651,319	$235,144,530

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

MONTANA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND DRINKING WATER
STATE REVOLVING FUND PROGRAMS
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

	WATER POLLUTION CONTROL			DRINKING WATER			
	STATE SPECIAL REVENUE	FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	STATE SPECIAL REVENUE	FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
REVENUES:							
Federal Capitalization Grant Revenue		$4,320,125			$12,894,079		$17,214,204
Interest Income on Investments	$489,005		$66,402	$181,440		$278,576	1,015,423
Other Investment Income	59,214		(72,741)	107,985		18,817	113,275
Interest Income from Loans	1,064,937		4,428,867	429,084		1,760,608	7,683,496
Other Income	(489)	30		2	146		(311)
TOTAL REVENUES	$1,612,667	$4,320,155	$4,422,528	$718,511	$12,894,225	$2,058,001	$26,026,087
EXPENDITURES:							
Program Administration/Set-Asides	$127,421	$398,199		$130,223	$1,251,272		$1,907,115
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$127,421	$398,199	$0	$130,223	$1,251,272	$0	$1,907,115
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$1,485,246	$3,921,956	$4,422,528	$588,288	$11,642,953	$2,058,001	$24,118,972
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:							
Operating Transfers In:							
FY05 State Match Reimbursement from WPC SRF					$136		$136
Reverse FY05 Recycled Transfer from WPC SRF	($85,000)			($85,000)			(170,000)
Debt Service Sweep	1,452,030			436,871			1,888,901
Loan Loss Reserve Sweep	1,124,036			95,911			1,219,947
Federal Capitalization Grants	3,850,236			11,712,363			15,562,599
Transfer from Investment Fund for Bond Payments			$649,292			$610,243	1,259,535
Total Other Financing Sources	$6,341,302		$649,292	$12,160,145	$136	$610,243	$19,761,118
OTHER FINANCING USES:							
Bond Principal Payments			$1,830,000			$1,100,000	$2,930,000
Bond Interest Payments			715,756			528,908	1,244,664
Operating Transfers Out:							
FY05 State Match Reimbursement to Drinking Water	$136						136
Reverse FY05 Recycled Transfer to Drinking Water	(85,000)			($85,000)			(170,000)
Debt Service Sweep			1,452,030			436,871	1,888,901
Loan Loss Reserve Sweep			1,124,036			95,911	1,219,947
Federal Capitalization Grants		$3,850,236			$11,712,227		15,562,463
Transfer to Debt Service for Bond Payments	649,292			610,243			1,259,535
Total Other Financing Uses	$564,428	$3,850,236	$5,121,822	$525,243	$11,712,227	$2,161,690	$23,935,646
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	$7,262,120	$71,720	($50,002)	$12,223,190	($69,138)	$506,554	$19,944,444
Fund Balances July 1, 2005	$143,991,018	($2,448)	$4,764,192	$63,623,588	$0	$2,144,765	$214,521,115
Prior Year and Federal Revenue Adjustments	13,591	(69,273)	2	9,249	69,138	0	22,707
Fund Balances June 30, 2006	$151,266,729	($1)	$4,714,192	$75,856,027	$0	$2,851,319	$234,488,266

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

MONTANA STATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND PROGRAMS
SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

1. Organization of the Programs

The State of Montana Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund (WPCSRF) Program was established pursuant to Title VI of the Federal Water Quality Act of 1987. This federal act established the WPCSRF program to replace the construction grants program. It provides a flexible financing source to loan money at reduced interest rates to finance the construction of publicly owned water pollution control facilities, non-point source pollution control projects, and estuary management plans. Instead of making grants to communities that pay for a portion of building wastewater treatment facilities, the WPCSRF provides for low interest rate loans to finance the entire cost of qualified projects.

The State of Montana Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program was established pursuant to Title XIV of the Safe Drinking Water Act. This federal act established the DWSRF program for states to make loans to community water systems and non-profit non-community water systems. Instead of making grants to communities that pay for a portion of building drinking water treatment facilities, the DWSRF provides for low interest rate loans to finance the entire cost of qualified projects or to refinance debt obligations on projects that began after July 1, 1993. The State of Montana first incurred expenditures in the DWSRF Program in state fiscal year (SFY) 1997.

WPCSRF and DWSRF loan agreements allow up to 30 years for repayment. All repayments of interest and principal must remain in the revolving funds. Both programs are capitalized through U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grants. States are required to provide 20 percent of the federal capitalization grant as matching funds for DWSRF, and 16.67 percent for WPCSRF, in order to receive a grant. The State of Montana issues General Obligation Bonds to provide the required state matching funds.

The programs are jointly administered by the Technical and Financial Assistance Bureau of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Conservation and Resource Development Division of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC). The revolving fund programs do not have any full time employees. Both funds are charged for time spent on SRF activities by department employees. The charges include salaries and benefits of the employees and operating expenses as well as indirect costs.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program Fund Structure

Both programs use Special Revenue and Debt Service funds, as appropriate, to report the financial position and the results of operations. A Special Revenue Fund accounts for the

proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. A Debt Service Fund accounts for resources accumulated for payment of principal and interest on general long-term obligation debt. Montana maintains a State Special Revenue and a Federal Special Revenue Fund. The SRF program revenue and expenses include transactions from each Special Revenue Fund. Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds are considered governmental funds.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions and activities.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. Current financial resources means that, generally, only assets and current liabilities are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of governmental funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. The modified accrual basis is the accrual basis adapted to the governmental fund-type measurement focus. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when received in cash unless susceptible to accrual. Revenues are susceptible to accrual if they are measurable and available within sixty days after the end of the fiscal year to finance expenditures of the fiscal year. Revenues are deferred if material and received before the normal time of receipt or if received for a particular activity and the expense for that activity has not been incurred prior to fiscal year-end. Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, with the following exceptions:

1) principal and interest on long-term debt are recognized when due;
2) prepayments are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition;
3) inventory items are considered expenditures when purchased.

The Loans Receivable account resides in the State Special Revenue fund for each program. This account represents the total principal due on the loans outstanding for each program.

C. Prior Period Adjustments

Prior period adjustments reported in the accompanying financial statements relate to corrections of errors or other correcting adjustments from prior periods not otherwise reported as sources or uses of funds.

3. Cash/Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of funds deposited with the US Bank, N.A. as trustee, and include investments categorized as cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are defined as short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Disclosures Relating to Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. In accordance with the investment policy defined in the bonds trust indenture, the cash equivalent funds invested by US Bank, N.A., as trustee, are held in a Treasury Obligations Money Market Fund that invests exclusively in short-term U.S. Treasury obligations and repurchase agreements secured by U.S. Treasury obligations. The U.S. Treasury obligations in which the fund invests include U.S. Treasury bonds, notes, and bills, and are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

Disclosures Relating to Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

The investment policy as defined in the Indenture of Trust, and contract with the trustee, does not require collateralization for cash and securities held by the trustee. Securities are registered with the Federal Reserve Bank under "U.S. Bank as trustee for the State of Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation." However, U.S. Bank policy is to collateralize money market funds at 101% of cost.

Disclosures Relating to Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The investment policy for the programs, as specified in the Indenture of Trust, does not explicitly address interest rate risk. However, the investment policy implicitly limits interest rate risk for cash equivalents by emphasizing liquidity, holding investments to maturity, and narrowly defining the eligible investments. In general, a shorter average maturity for fixed-income securities held in the money market fund means less sensitivity to interest rate changes. The average maturity in the fund as of June 30, 2006 is three days. An effective duration method result of NA indicates that interest rate risk is not applicable.

Investment Type	Book Value	Moody's Rating	Effective Duration
Held by trustee:			
Money market funds	$19,346,501	Aaa	NA

4. Investments

Power to Invest and Investment Policy

The Board of Examiners of the State of Montana authorizes the sale of general obligation bonds to provide the state match for the SRF programs through the issuance of an Indenture of Trust. The Board of Examiners is comprised of the Governor, Attorney General and the Secretary of State for the State of Montana. The Indenture of Trust specifies the eligible investments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which the state may invest. The state invests funds through its trustee bank, US Bank, N.A.

Eligible investments are limited, generally, to obligations of, or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States of America, or by any agency or instrumentality thereof. A primary investment objective is to make investments that mature, or are subject to redemption, on or prior to the date or dates that the department anticipates that money will be required to make payments.

Disclosures Relating to Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The short- and long-term investments made by US Bank, N.A., as trustee, are held in U.S. Treasury bills and notes. U.S. Treasury bills have maturities of one year or less and U.S. Treasury notes have maturities greater than one year from the date of issuance.

Disclosures Relating to Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The investment policy as defined in the Indenture of Trust, and contract with the trustee, does not require collateralization for cash and securities held by the trustee. Securities are registered with the Federal Reserve Bank under "U.S. Bank as trustee for the State of Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation."

Disclosures Relating to Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The investment policy, as specified in the Indenture of Trust, does not explicitly address interest rate risk. However, the investment policy implicitly limits interest rate risk by emphasizing liquidity, holding investments to maturity, and narrowly defining the eligible investments. The following table includes the Effective Duration calculation for appropriate investment types, or NA to indicate that interest rate risk is not applicable. All funds of the State of Montana are required to use the effective duration method to calculate and report interest rate risk. A lower effective duration number means that there is a lower interest rate risk.

Investment Type	Book Value	Effective Duration
Held by trustee:		
U.S. Treasury bills	$ 0	NA
U.S. Treasury notes	$ 4,578,901	2.95

5. Loans Receivable

Montana operates both SRF programs as direct loan programs. Loans made to communities through the Water Pollution Control Program are funded 83.33 percent by the federal EPA capitalization grant, and 16.67 percent by the state match amount. Some Water Pollution Control Program loans are made as recycled, or "second round", loans and are disbursed from loan repayment funds. Loans made by the Drinking Water Program are funded approximately 80 percent by the federal EPA capitalization grant, and 20 percent by the state match amount. The Drinking Water Program makes recycled loans that are disbursed from loan repayment funds. Loan funds are disbursed to the local borrower agencies by the trustee bank as the local borrower agencies expend funds for the purposes of the loan and request reimbursement from the program. Interest is calculated from the date that funds are disbursed. Typically after the final disbursement has been made, the payment schedule is certified in the loan agreement and adjusted for the actual amounts disbursed. No provision for uncollectible accounts has been made as all loans are current in terms of compliance with the repayment schedules, and management believes that all loans will be repaid according to the terms of the loan agreements.

The drawn and outstanding principal balance of all loans guaranteed by the WPCSRF Program as of June 30, 2006 is $139,083,137. The total loans receivable in the WPCSRF program includes $126,382,557 presented as loans receivable and $12,700,580 presented as advances to other funds. The advances are inter-fund loans within the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation used for the non-point source private loans program. The drawn and outstanding principal balance of all loans guaranteed by the DWSRF Program as of June 30, 2006 is $69,572,784.

Loans mature at various intervals through July 1, 2036. The scheduled principal payments on loans and advances to other funds maturing in the years following state fiscal year (SFY) 2006 are as follows:

SFY ending June 30:	WPCSRF Amount	DWSRF Amount
2007	$ 6,205,984	$ 2,850,879
2008	8,238,500	4,467,600
2009	8,639,000	4,221,604
2010	9,187,200	4,411,100
2011 and thereafter	106,812,453	53,621,601
Total	**$ 139,083,137**	**$ 69,572,784**

As of June 30, 2006, the WPCSRF and DWSRF had authorized loans to public entities of the State of Montana that in the aggregate exceeded $200 and $99 million, respectively. The outstanding balances of the largest loans in each portfolio are as follows:

Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund:

Local Agency	Authorized Loan Amount	Outstanding Balance
City of Great Falls	$ 11,295,267	$ 9,388,000
City of Helena	9,320,000	8,643,000
Big Sky/County Water & Sewer	7,000,000	6,397,000
Big Sky/County Water & Sewer	6,500,000	5,131,514
Big Sky/County Water & Sewer	5,513,000	2,805,000
City of Lewistown	5,307,390	5,022,000
Missoula WWTP	5,000,000	4,385,000
City of Missoula SID 524	4,577,000	4,314,000
Billings	4,515,000	4,308,627
Missoula County Mullan Rd RSID 8474	4,498,121	3,470,000
Total	**$ 63,525,778**	**$ 53,864,141**

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:

Local Agency	Authorized Loan Amount	Outstanding Balance
City of Billings	$ 17,300,000	$ 5,459,785
City of Havre II	8,401,000	7,691,000
City of Whitefish II	5,839,000	4,292,000
City of Laurel	5,250,000	3,630,000
City of Lewistown	3,549,000	3,549,000
City of East Helena II	3,234,000	2,743,000
Helena	3,100,000	2,273,536
City of Great Falls	3,000,000	2,394,000
Laurel II	2,541,000	2,227,000
River Rock Water & Sewer	2,100,000	1,856,000
Total	**$ 54,314,000**	**$ 36,115,321**

6. Interest Receivable

The interest receivable represents interest owed by borrowers as of June 30, 2006, for the July 1, 2006 payment. It represents the six months of interest accrued from the previous loan payment date of January 1, 2006. Interest receivable balances include $412,561 in the WPCSRF Special Administration fund and $1,669,382 in the WPCSRF Debt Service and Loan Loss Reserve funds; and $99,942 in the DWSRF Special Administration fund and $370,978 in the DWSRF Debt Service and Loan Loss Reserve funds. Interest receivable does not include interest payments received in June, 2006 that were due July 1, 2006. Interest payments received during June, 2006 amounted to $804,694 for the WPCSRF and $678,360 for the DWSRF.

7. Bonds Payable

Water Pollution Control SRF general obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2006 were as follows:

Series 1996C

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007 (bonds paid-off)	3.75 – 5.75	$1,765,000	$ 49,025	$ 1,814,025
Total Cash Requirements		$1,765,000	$ 49,025	$ 1,814,025

Series 1998A

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	3.75 – 5.15	$ 150,000	$ 123,218	$ 273,218
2008		155,000	116,469	271,469
2009		165,000	109,308	274,308
2010		170,000	101,685	271,685
2011		180,000	93,545	273,545
2012-2016		1,030,000	324,918	1,354,918
2017-2019		750,000	58,720	808,720
Total Cash Requirements		$2,600,000	$ 927,863	$ 3,527,863

Series 2000B

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.25 – 5.60	$ 125,000	$ 143,659	$ 268,659
2008		130,000	137,459	267,459
2009		135,000	130,983	265,983
2010		145,000	124,086	269,086
2011		155,000	116,623	271,623
2012-2016		900,000	452,663	1,352,663
2017-2021		1,195,000	173,669	1,368,669
Total Cash Requirements		$2,785,000	$ 1,279,142	$ 4,064,142

Series 2001H

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.00 – 5.00	$ 105,000	$ 103,095	$ 208,095
2008		110,000	98,795	208,795
2009		115,000	94,295	209,295
2010		115,000	89,695	204,695
2011		120,000	84,920	204,920
2012-2016		690,000	340,080	1,030,080

2017-2021	860,000	159,637	1,019,637
2022	200,000	5,000	205,000
Total Cash Requirements	$2,315,000	$ 975,517	$ 3,290,517

Series 2003D

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	2.00 – 3.75	$ 160,000	$ 33,812	$ 193,812
2008		160,000	30,612	190,612
2009		165,000	27,239	192,239
2010		170,000	23,426	193,426
2011		175,000	19,023	194,023
2012-2014		555,000	25,660	580,660
Total Cash Requirements		$1,385,000	$ 159,772	$ 1,544,772

Series 2004A

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	2.00 – 4.50	$ 150,000	$ 90,198	$ 240,198
2008		150,000	87,198	237,198
2009		155,000	83,760	238,760
2010		160,000	79,623	239,623
2011		165,000	74,948	239,948
2012-2016		900,000	285,664	1,185,664
2017-2020		860,000	79,650	939,650
Total Cash Requirements		$2,540,000	$ 781,041	$ 3,321,041

Series 2005G

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.00 – 4.75	$ 90,000	$ 88,490	$ 178,490
2008		110,000	84,490	194,490
2009		115,000	79,990	194,990
2010		120,000	75,290	195,290
2011		120,000	70,490	190,490
2012-2016		695,000	271,889	966,889
2017-2021		860,000	97,996	957,996
Total Cash Requirements		$2,110,000	$ 768,635	$ 2,878,635

TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT - WPCSRF

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	$ 2,545,000	$ 631,497	$ 3,176,497
2008	815,000	555,023	1,370,023
2009	850,000	525,575	1,375,575
2010	880,000	493,805	1,373,805
2011	915,000	459,549	1,374,549
2012-2016	4,770,000	1,700,874	6,470,874
2017-2021	4,525,000	569,672	5,094,672
2022	200,000	5,000	205,000
Total Cash Requirements	$15,500,000	$ 4,940,995	$ 20,440,995

Drinking Water SRF general obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2006 were as follows:

Series 1998F

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	3.60 – 4.85	$ 140,000	$ 102,747	$ 242,747
2008		145,000	96,940	241,940
2009		150,000	90,855	240,855
2010		155,000	84,449	239,449
2011		160,000	77,675	237,675
2012-2016		925,000	269,489	1,194,489
2017-2019		660,000	48,717	708,717
Total Cash Requirements		$2,335,000	$ 770,872	$ 3,105,872

Series 2000A

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.25 – 5.60	$ 110,000	$ 128,993	$ 238,993
2008		120,000	123,400	243,400
2009		125,000	117,413	242,413
2010		130,000	111,133	241,133
2011		135,000	104,540	239,540
2012-2016		810,000	405,607	1,215,607
2017-2021		1,070,000	155,228	1,225,228
Total Cash Requirements		$2,500,000	$ 1,146,314	$ 3,646,314

Series 2001G

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.00 – 5.00	$ 125,000	$ 122,465	$ 247,465
2008		125,000	117,465	242,465
2009		135,000	112,265	247,265
2010		140,000	106,765	246,765
2011		145,000	100,974	245,974
2012-2016		820,000	404,098	1,224,098
2017-2021		1,025,000	189,351	1,214,351
2022		235,000	5,875	240,875
Total Cash Requirements		$2,750,000	$ 1,159,258	$ 3,909,258

Series 2003E

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	2.00 – 3.75	$ 95,000	$ 20,510	$ 115,510
2008		100,000	18,560	118,560
2009		100,000	16,485	116,485
2010		105,000	14,150	119,150
2011		105,000	11,473	116,473
2012-2014		335,000	15,457	350,457
Total Cash Requirements		$ 840,000	$ 96,635	$ 936,635

Series 2005F

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Interest Range (%)	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	4.00 – 4.75	$ 160,000	$ 164,500	$ 324,500
2008		200,000	157,300	357,300
2009		210,000	149,100	359,100
2010		215,000	140,600	355,600
2011		225,000	131,800	356,800
2012-2016		1,275,000	510,326	1,785,326
2017-2021		1,590,000	187,040	1,777,040
Total Cash Requirements		$3,875,000	$ 1,440,666	$ 5,315,666

TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT - DWSRF

Payable during the year ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	$ 630,000	$ 539,215	$ 1,169,215
2008	690,000	513,665	1,203,665
2009	720,000	486,118	1,206,118
2010	745,000	457,097	1,202,097
2011	770,000	426,462	1,196,462
2012-2016	4,165,000	1,604,977	5,769,977
2017-2021	4,345,000	580,336	4,925,336
2022	235,000	5,875	240,875
Total Cash Requirements	$12,300,000	$ 4,613,745	$ 16,913,745

8. Fund Balance

A portion, or all, of the fund balances in the WPCSRF and DWSRF have been reserved for Loans Receivable and Debt Service, indicating that a portion, or all, of the fund balances are not available for current expenditures.

9. Program Capitalization

The WPCSRF and DWSRF programs are capitalized by grants from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and matching funds from the State of Montana. All grant funds drawn are recorded as revenue. As of June 30, 2006, the EPA has awarded capitalization grants of $118,360,565 to the State of Montana for the WPCSRF program; $196,656,543 has been drawn from federal and state funds for loans and administrative expenses. As of June 30, 2006, the EPA has awarded capitalization grants of $85,831,788 to the State of Montana for the DWSRF program; $87,950,086 has been drawn from federal and state funds for loans and administrative expenses. Montana has issued general obligation bonds totaling $24,590,000 for use as state matching funds for the WPCSRF program and $14,795,000 for use as state matching funds in the DWSRF program.

10. Federal Capitalization Grant Revenues

Actual draws of federal funds differ from the amount of Federal Capitalization Grant Revenue reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. This occurs because state accounting policy requires federal special revenue funds reflect a zero fund balance at fiscal year-end (with the exception of "A" accruals). Consequently, if a positive fund balance exists, deferred revenue is recorded. If a negative fund balance is reflected at fiscal year-end, a revenue accrual to record revenue is recorded to zero the fund balance.

The following is a reconciliation of federal revenues reported on the financial statements to federal cash actually drawn during the state fiscal year:

WPCSRF

Federal Capital Grant Revenue - Combined Statement	**$4,230,049**
Adjustment Due From Federal Govt FY05	0
Adjustment Deferred Revenue FY05	35,180
Adjustment Due From Federal Govt FY06	(8,717)
Adjustment Deferred Revenue FY06	4,289
Other Adjustments	(30)
Total Federal Draws	**$4,260,771**

DWSRF

Federal Capital Grant Revenue - Combined Statement	**$12,840,249**
Adjustment Due From Federal Govt FY05	(63,716)
Adjustment Deferred Revenue FY05	66,158
Adjustment Due From Federal Govt FY06	65,337
Adjustment Deferred Revenue FY06	(47,418)
Other Adjustments	(146)
Total Federal Draws	**$12,860,464**

11. Interest Income on Investments

This revenue represents interest earnings on investments within the funds. All assets of the funds are fully invested by the trustee, to the degree possible, in investment vehicles. The investments range from U.S. Treasury obligation money market funds to long-term government securities. Interest income earned in one fund but transferred to another fund in accordance with terms of the bond indenture is reported in the receiving fund in which it becomes available for expenditure.

12. Other Investment Income

This revenue represents unamortized (premium) and discount recognized upon maturity or disposal of government securities, as well as the change in unrealized appreciation and (depreciation) in the market value of investments as of June 30, 2006.

13. Interest Income from Loans

This revenue represents interest earnings from loan repayments made by borrowers. A typical loan carries an interest rate of 4%; however, during fiscal year 2004 the rate was decreased to 3.75% for new loans and the lower rate was continued through fiscal year 2006. The 3.75% is comprised of a loan interest rate of 2.00%, as well as a 1.00% Loan Loss Reserve fee and a 0.75% Special Administration fee. The interest income for each of these components totaled $3,098,077, $1,330,791, and $1,063,587, respectively, for the WPCSRF program; and $1,278,001, $482,606, and $429,084, respectively, for the DWSRF program. Disadvantaged communities can receive loans with an interest rate of 2.75% because no Loan Loss Reserve fee is levied.

14. Program Administration and Set-Aside Funds

This expenditure represents costs incurred by DEQ and DNRC to administer the SRF programs. This amount is limited to 4% of each grant award from the EPA. Program Administration appears under the Resource Development/Recreation function in the State of Montana Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

The DWSRF program includes several "sub-programs", called set-asides, which states can elect. A State may use a certain portion of its capitalization grants for the following activities:

- up to 4 percent of its capitalization grants to administer the DWSRF and provide technical assistance to public water systems;
- up to 2 percent of its grants to provide assistance to small public water systems;
- up to 10 percent of its grants for state program management activities, including administration of the State Public Water System Supervision Program, administration of the source water protection program, development and implementation of the capacity development and operator certification programs;
- up to 15 percent of its grants to assist in the development and implementation of local drinking water protection initiatives and other State programs.

In the DWSRF, the 4 percent administrative set-aside must be deposited to a separate fund, and must have separate accounting and disclosure.

DWSRF Program Administration/Set-Asides Detail:

Administration - EPA Grants	$334,373
Administration - State Funds	131,643
Technical Assistance	73,083
State Program Management	792,550
Local Assistance	78,733
Total Administration and Set-Asides	**$1,410,382**

In the WPCSRF program, there are no set-aside funds available.

WPCSRF Program Administration Detail:

Administration - EPA Grants	$127,851
Administration - State Funds	398,199
Total Administration	**$526,050**

15. Other Financing Sources and Uses

Loan interest amounts received that exceed the debt service requirements are shown as a Financing Source and Use on the financial statements. The balance remaining in the Debt Service fund is transferred to the Investment fund. Both funds are required by the State Revolving Fund Program. This occurs after payments are made to the bondholders on July 15 of each year. In the Arbitrage Certificate, this activity is termed a Debt Service Sweep.

The Loan Loss Reserve Sweep represents cash in excess of the reserve requirement that is transferred from the Loan Loss Reserve fund to the Principal fund per the bond indenture. The Loan Loss Reserve fund is not required by the State Revolving Fund Program, but the state elected to have this fund to account for these funds separately.

When DEQ receives money from EPA, it is deposited into an account at US Bank, who then makes distributions to the borrowers when they become approved for the loans. These distributions are recorded in SABHRS monthly. The loan payments, made by the cities and counties, are recorded at DNRC in a State Special Revenue account.

16. Subsequent Events

The outstanding balance of the 1996C (Water Pollution Control) General Obligation bonds in the total of $1,765,000 were called and redeemed on July 15, 2006.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Legislative Audit Committee
of the Montana State Legislature:

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs' financial statements. The Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water Schedule of Revolving and Non-Revolving SRF Program Assets, Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds, Regulatory Basis, as of June 30, 2006, and the related Schedule of Revolving and Non-Revolving SRF Program Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances, Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds, Regulatory Basis for the year then ended are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the programs' financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the programs' financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 12, 2007

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MONTANA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND DRINKING WATER
SCHEDULE OF REVOLVING AND NON-REVOLVING SRF PROGRAM ASSETS
SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
REGULATORY BASIS [1]
JUNE 30, 2006

	WPC-SRF SPECIAL REVENUE		WPC-SRF DEBT SERVICE FUND		Drinking Water SPECIAL REVENUE		Drinking Water DEBT SERVICE FUND		
	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	TOTAL
ASSETS									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$9,558,851	$1,604,061	$1,233,727	$1,632,237	$2,710,735	$735,606	$915,262	$1,040,250	19,430,729
Interest Receivable	20,834	391,726	1,144,840	524,543	8,504	91,438	266,370	104,608	2,552,863
Due From Federal Government	8,717				65,337				74,054
Prepaid Expenses		466				895			1,361
Investments	194	979,463	8,432	170,413	2,355,335	590,935		324,827	4,429,599
Loans Receivable	126,382,557				69,572,784				195,955,341
Advances to Other Funds	12,700,580								12,700,580
Total Assets	$148,671,733	$2,975,716	$2,386,999	$2,327,193	$74,712,695	$1,418,874	$1,181,632	$1,469,685	$235,144,527
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities:									
Accounts Payable	$210	$12			$42,858				$43,080
Payroll Payable	12,178	3,480			33,034	13,645			62,337
Interest Payable	351,323				113,351				464,674
Loans Payable					25,000				25,000
Deferred Revenue	13,522				47,654				61,176
Total Liabilities	$377,233	$3,492			$261,897	$13,645			$656,267
Fund Balances									
Reserved for Loans Receivable	$139,083,137				$69,572,784				$208,655,921
Reserved for Debt Service			$2,386,999	$2,327,193			$1,181,632	$1,469,685	7,365,509
Unreserved, Undesignated	9,211,363	$2,972,224			4,878,014	$1,405,229	1	1	18,466,832
Total Fund Balances	$148,294,500	$2,972,224	$2,386,999	$2,327,193	$74,450,798	$1,405,229	$1,181,633	$1,469,686	$234,488,262
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	$148,671,733	$2,975,716	$2,386,999	$2,327,193	$74,712,695	$1,418,874	$1,181,633	$1,469,686	$235,144,529

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MONTANA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND DRINKING WATER
SCHEDULE OF REVOLVING AND NON-REVOLVING SRF PROGRAM
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
REGULATORY BASIS [1]
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

	WPC-SRF SPECIAL REVENUE		WPC-SRF DEBT SERVICE FUND		Drinking Water SPECIAL REVENUE		Drinking Water DEBT SERVICE FUND		
	REVOLVING FUND	NDN REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	REVOLVING FUND	NON REVOLVING FUND	TOTAL
REVENUES:									
Federal Capitalization Grant Revenue	$4,320,125				$12,894,079				$17,214,204
Interest Income on Investments	360,435	$128,570	$66,402		130,555	$50,885	$273,968	$4,608	1,015,423
Other Investment Income	90,955	(31,741)		($72,741)	50,907	57,078	(1,468)	20,285	113,275
Interest Income from Loans	1,350	1,063,587	3,098,077	1,330,791		429,084	1,278,001	482,606	7,683,496
Other Income	(488)	29			148				(311)
Total Revenues	$4,772,377	$1,160,445	$3,164,479	$1,258,050	$13,075,689	$537,047	$1,550,501	$507,499	$26,026,087
EXPENDITURES:									
Program Administration/Set-Asides	$443,262	$82,358			$1,251,272	$130,223			$1,907,115
Total Expenditures	$443,262	$82,358			$1,251,272	$130,223			$1,907,115
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$4,329,115	$1,078,087	$3,164,479	$1,258,050	$11,824,417	$406,824	$1,550,501	$507,499	$24,118,972
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:									
Operating Transfers In:									
FY05 State Match Reimbursement from WPC SRF					$136				$136
Reverse FY05 Transfer from WPC SRF	($85,000)				(85,000)				(170,000)
Residual Transfer Costs of Issuance to Proceeds	14,011				9,333				23,344
Debt Service Sweep	1,452,030				436,871				1,888,901
Loan Loss Reserve Sweep	1,124,036				95,911				1,219,947
Transfer from Special Administration to Principal	1,500,000				1,000,000				2,500,000
Recycled Funds from Transfers Sub-Account	25,964								25,964
Transfer from Investment Fund for Bond Payments			$649,292				$610,243		1,259,535
Total Other Financing Sources	$4,031,041		$649,292		$1,457,251		$610,243		$6,747,827
OTHER FINANCING USES:									
Bond Principal Payments			$1,830,000				$1,100,000		$2,930,000
Bond Interest Payments			715,756				528,908		1,244,664
Operating Transfers Out:									
FY05 State Match Reimbursement to Drinking Water	$136								136
Reverse FY05 Transfer to Drinking Water WRF	($85,000)				($85,000)				(170,000)
Residual Transfer Costs of Issuance to Proceeds		$14,011				$9,333			23,344
Debt Service Sweep			1,452,030				436,871		1,888,901
Loan Loss Reserve Sweep				$1,124,036				$95,911	1,219,947
Special Administration Transfer to Principal		1,500,000				1,000,000			2,500,000
Recycled Funds from Transfers Sub-Account		25,964							25,964
Transfer to Debt Service for Bond Payments	649,292				610,243				1,259,535
Total Other Financing Uses	$564,428	$1,539,975	$3,997,786	$1,124,036	$525,243	$1,009,333	$2,065,779	$95,911	$10,922,491
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	$7,795,728	($461,888)	($184,015)	$134,014	$12,756,425	($602,509)	$94,965	$411,588	$19,944,308
Fund Balances July 1, 2005	$140,567,985	$3,420,586	$2,571,014	$2,193,178	$61,625,134	$1,998,454	$1,086,667	$1,058,097	$214,521,115
Prior Year and Federal Revenue Adjustments	(69,213)	13,527	(1)	1	69,240	9,284	2		22,840
Fund Balances June 30, 2006	$148,294,500	$2,972,225	$2,386,998	$2,327,193	$74,450,799	$1,405,229	$1,181,634	$1,469,685	$234,488,263

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Legislative Audit Committee
of the Montana State Legislature:

We have audited the financial statements of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated January 12, 2007. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

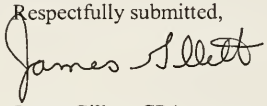
Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Department of Environmental Quality and Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (departments') internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial

statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Audit Committee, the departments' management, the Montana State Legislature, and the federal Environmental Protection Agency and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,



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January 12, 2007

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Room 160, State Capitol
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Dear Mr. Seacat:

We have received and reviewed the financial audit of the Montana Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. We are pleased with the unqualified opinion and wish to thank your staff for the professionalism and courtesy with which the audit was conducted.

Sincerely,

Richard Opper, Director

Dean Rude, Chief Financial Officer